2013 Montana Government IT Conference

Microsoft Pre-Conference Agenda

09:30 – 10:45 XP is Dead Part 1 – Just what is Microsoft's long term vision, and what is Microsoft doing around Devices, Services, and Business Solutions?

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11:00 – 12:15 XP is Dead Part 2 – What is Microsoft doing today and into the future around Applications & Services as well as Cloud & Enterprise?

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1:00 - 1:50 Windows 8.1 and Devices

You spoke (often loudly;) and Microsoft listened. Windows 8.1 adds many of the things customers asked for including the return of the Start button. It also adds dozens of improvements, specifically targeted at enterprise users including enhancements to technologies like Windows ToGo, BitLocker, Direct Access, etc. Want to discuss what's in the new Surface Pro 2 or what's coming in the OEM "Bay Trail" devices? How about what's in the new Nokia / Microsoft phones, this is also the session for you.

2:00 – 2:50 SCCM (System Center Configuration Manager) 2012 R2 - Desktop Management (including Anti-Virus / Anti-malware)

See how the updated 2012 R2 versions of Configuration Manager and Endpoint Protection can help you do things like: manage your desktops (even when they are outside the firewall); keep machines compliant with regulations via Desired Configuration Management (DCM); deploy and monitor new operating systems, virtual applications, and anti-virus/anti-malware; and more.

3:00 – 3:50 Mobile Device Management

Hear about the MAJOR new release of inTune with many long awaited features specifically for mobile devices and BYOD (Bring You Own Device) needs as well as what you can manage via ActiveSync in Configuration Manager and how the 2012 R2 release gives you one console between both tools to manage all your devices.

4:00 – 5:00 "The Cloud" – What can the state do with Azure and Office 365?

Microsoft has released literally hundreds of new features and capabilities available via a cloud deployment model. Come get an idea of not just what's available, but what other state and local agencies are doing in the cloud.